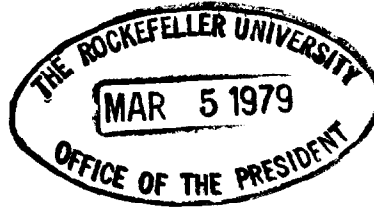


*May 23-24*

February 28, 1979



Dear Joshua:

Thank you for your letter of February 14. I am indeed sorry that you cannot be with us for the Colloquium on May 23, and I appreciate your understanding that the Colloquium and the honorary degree are closely linked.

Under the circumstances, I believe, as you suggested, that we should postpone the degree award to a future commencement. I am sure I need not tell you that when that time comes we will count it a very great honor to present you with an honorary degree from Rutgers.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "E. Bloustein".

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